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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

All pending claims in the present application were allowed as per the Notice of Allowance dated August 22, 2006.

However, Claim 75 refers to a "source private branch exchange" and a "destination private branch exchange" without antecedent basis. Hence this claim is being changed as shown above. The "telephony traffic" now added to Claim 75 is already recited in the preamble of Claim 43. Hence, this change is believed to be directed to correction of a trivial informality. Moreover, this paper is timely submitted because it is being filed prior to issue fee payment. Therefore this Amendment should be entered as per 37 CFR 1.312.

In the alternative, if this amendment is deemed to change the claim scope, entry of this Amendment is still permitted, by MPEP 714.16 on answering the following questions:

- (A) why the amendment is needed;
- (B) why the proposed amended or new claims require no additional search or examination;
- (C) why the claims are patentable; and
- (D) why they were not presented earlier.

As to (A), this amendment is needed to correct an error. As to (B), no additional search or examination is required, because there is only one change, which is to a dependent claim. As to (C), all claims are still patentable for the same reasons as those mentioned by the Examiner in paragraph 1 on page 2 of the Final Office Action dated May 2, 2006. As to (D), this amendment was not presented earlier because this error was noticed just now, during proofing. Applicant believes that no additional search or materially added work is required by the Office. Hence, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment.

For the above reasons, Applicant respectfully request allowance of all pending claims. If there are any questions, please call the undersigned at (408) 982-8203.

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